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For: LONG LASTING FUSION PEPTIDE

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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated April 21, 2005 (Paper No. 04152005), for which a response was due on July 21, 2005. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a 1 month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.